

ACCESS SERVICE WITHIN THAT COUNTY. THE AMOUNT OF THE ADDITIONAL CHARGE MAY NOT EXCEED A LEVEL NECESSARY TO COVER THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF APPROVED ELIGIBLE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE COSTS OF THE COUNTY. BEFORE JULY 1 OF EACH YEAR, THE COUNTY SHALL CERTIFY THE AMOUNT OF THE ADDITIONAL CHARGE TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION WHICH ON 60 DAYS NOTICE SHALL DIRECT THE TELEPHONE COMPANIES TO ADD THE FULL AMOUNT OF THE ADDITIONAL CHARGE TO ALL CURRENT BILLS RENDERED FOR TELEPHONE SWITCHED LOCAL EXCHANGE ACCESS SERVICE IN EACH COUNTY WHICH IMPOSED THAT ADDITIONAL CHARGE. THE TELEPHONE COMPANIES SHALL ACT AS COLLECTION AGENTS FOR THE 911 TRUST FUND WITH RESPECT TO THE ADDITIONAL CHARGES IMPOSED BY EACH COUNTY. REVENUES FROM THE SURCHARGE ADDITIONAL CHARGE SHALL BE COLLECTED BY THE TELEPHONE COMPANIES ON A COUNTY BASIS AND REMITTED MONTHLY TO THE COMPTROLLER FOR DEPOSIT TO THE 911 TRUST FUND ACCOUNT MAINTAINED FOR THE COUNTY WHICH IMPOSED THE ADDITIONAL CHARGE.

(d) The Secretary shall administer the [Fund] 911 TRUST FUND subject to the provisions for financial management and budgeting established by the Department of Budget and Fiscal Planning. THE SECRETARY SHALL CAUSE THE COMPTROLLER TO ESTABLISH SEPARATE ACCOUNTS FOR THE PAYMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES AND FOR EACH COUNTY WITHIN THE 911 TRUST FUND. THE INCOME DERIVED FROM INVESTMENT OF MONEY IN THE FUND SHALL ACCRUE TO THE FUND AND THE COMPTROLLER SHALL ALLOCATE INVESTMENT INCOME AMONG THE ACCOUNTS IN THE FUND ON-A-FAIR-AND-EQUITABLE-BASIS PRO RATED ON THE BASIS OF THE TOTAL FEES COLLECTED IN EACH COUNTY.

(E) THE COMPTROLLER SHALL DISBURSE THE MONEYS IN THE 911 TRUST FUND AS PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION.

(1) EACH JULY 1, THE COMPTROLLER SHALL ALLOCATE SUFFICIENT REVENUES FROM THE 911 FEE TO PAY THE COSTS OF ADMINISTERING THE 911 TRUST FUND AS PROVIDED BY LAW.

(2) AS DIRECTED BY THE SECRETARY AND AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET, THE COMPTROLLER SHALL PAY FROM THE APPROPRIATE ACCOUNT THE COSTS OF FUNDING THE INSTALLATION OF A 911 SYSTEM BY A COUNTY OR SEVERAL COUNTIES AND THE COSTS OF REIMBURSING THE COSTS OF INSTALLING OR ENHANCING A 911 SYSTEM BY A COUNTY OR SEVERAL COUNTIES.

(3) IF A 911 SYSTEM IS IN OPERATION IN A COUNTY, THE COMPTROLLER SHALL PAY TO THAT COUNTY FROM THE FUND BALANCE IN THE APPROPRIATE ACCOUNT, THE AMOUNT OF MONEYS REQUESTED BY THE COUNTY AND AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET TO PAY FOR THE COSTS OF MAINTAINING AND OPERATING THE 911 SYSTEM. THE COMPTROLLER SHALL PAY THE MONEYS FOR MAINTAINING AND OPERATING 911 SYSTEMS ON THE SEPTEMBER 30, DECEMBER 31, MARCH 31, AND JUNE 30 OF EACH YEAR.

[(e)] (F) The Legislative Auditor shall conduct post audits of a fiscal and compliance nature of the [Fund] 911 TRUST FUND and of the appropriations and expenditures made for purposes of this subtitle. The cost of the fiscal portion of the post audit examination shall be [an operating cost of the Fund] PAID FROM THE 911 TRUST FUND AS AN ADMINISTRATIVE COST.